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Amendment to the Specifications:

Please insert the following Header and paragraphs on page 9 at line 7:

Brief Description of the Drawings

Fig. 1 is a perspective view of a bone pin made in accordance with the current invention.

C1 Fig. 2 is a perspective view of a bone screw made in accordance with the current invention.

Fig. 3 is a perspective view of a bone prosthesis made in accordance with the current invention.

Please replace the "Abstract of the Disclosure" paragraph on page 20 and comprising lines 2-8 with the following rewritten paragraph:

C2 ~~The present invention relates to a~~ A method of forming a bone composite, comprising: providing bone tissue; grinding said bone tissue to form ground tissue; molding the ground bone tissue into a bone composite; optionally applying a binder to the bone composite; and optionally milling or refining the bone composite to the desired shape. ~~The present invention a~~ Also encompasses bone tissue composites made therefrom. ~~The composites~~ may be, for example, a bone pin, screw, or prosthesis.